

**§ 326. Education and training program**

(a) **AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary is authorized to carry out a transportation assistance program that will provide highway and transportation agencies in (1) urbanized areas of 50,000 to 1,000,000 population, and (2) rural areas, access to modern highway technology.

(b) **GRANTS AND CONTRACTS.**—The Secretary may make grants and enter into contracts for education and training, technical assistance, and related support service that will—

(1) assist rural local transportation agencies to develop and expand their expertise in road and transportation areas (including pavement, bridge and safety management systems), to improve roads and bridges, to enhance programs for the movement of passengers and freight, to deal effectively with special road related problems by preparing and providing training packages, manuals, guidelines, and technical resource materials, and developing a tourism and recreational travel technical assistance program;

(2) identify, package, and deliver usable highway technology to local jurisdictions to assist urban transportation agencies in developing and expanding their ability to deal effectively with road related problems; and

(3) establish, in cooperation with State transportation or highway departments and universities (A) urban technical assistance program centers in States with 2 or more urbanized areas of 50,000 to 1,000,000 population, and (B) rural technical assistance program centers.

Not less than 2 centers under paragraph (3) shall be designated to provide transportation assistance that may include, but is not necessarily limited to, a “circuit-rider” program, providing training on intergovernmental transportation planning and project selection, and tourism recreational travel to American Indian tribal governments.

(c) **FUNDS.**—The funds required to carry out the provisions of this section shall be taken out of administrative funds deducted under section 104(a). The sum of \$6,000,000 per fiscal year for each of the fiscal years 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997 shall be set aside from such administrative funds for the purpose of providing technical and financial support for these centers, including up to 100 percent for services provided to American Indian tribal governments.

(Added Pub. L. 102-240, title VI, § 6004(a), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 2169.)

**SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS**

This section is referred to in section 204 of this title.

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**AMENDMENTS**

1991—Pub. L. 102-240, title I, § 1035(b), title II, § 2004(c), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1978, 2079, substituted “Discovery and admission” for “Admission” in item 409 and “Alcohol-impaired driving countermeasures” for “Drunk driving prevention programs” in item 410.

1988—Pub. L. 100-690, title IX, § 9002(b), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4525, added item 410.

1987—Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 132(b), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 170, added item 409.

1982—Pub. L. 97-364, title I, § 101(b), Oct. 25, 1982, 96 Stat. 1740, added item 408.

1978—Pub. L. 95-599, title II, § 208(b), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2732, added item 407.

1976—Pub. L. 94-280, title I, § 135(d), May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 442, substituted item 405 “Repealed” for “Federal-aid safer roads demonstration program”.

1975—Pub. L. 93-643, § 126(b), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2291, added item 406.

1973—Pub. L. 93-87, title II, § 230(b), Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 294, added item 405.

**CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS**

This chapter is referred to in title 49 sections 104, 105.

**§ 401. Authority of the Secretary**

The Secretary is authorized and directed to assist and cooperate with other Federal departments and agencies, State and local governments, private industry, and other interested parties, to increase highway safety. For the purposes of this chapter, the term “State” means any one of the fifty States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

(Added Pub. L. 89-564, title I, § 101, Sept. 9, 1966, 80 Stat. 731; amended Pub. L. 93-87, title II, § 218, Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 290; Pub. L. 98-363, § 3(b), July 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 436; Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(b)(19), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 172.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1987—Pub. L. 100-17 inserted reference in second sentence to Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

1984—Pub. L. 98-363 struck out “, except that all expenditures for carrying out this chapter in the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa shall be paid out of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated” after “and American Samoa”.

1973—Pub. L. 93-87 inserted definition of “State” and provided that all expenditures for carrying out this chapter in the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa shall be paid out of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT**

Section 3(c) of Pub. L. 98-363 provided that: “The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) [amending this section and section 402 of this title] shall apply to fiscal years beginning after the date of enactment of this Act [July 17, 1984].”

**SHORT TITLE OF 1991 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 102-240, title II, § 2001, Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 2070, provided that: “This part [part A (§§ 2001-2009) of title II of Pub. L. 102-240, amending sections 402, 403, and 410 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 402, 403, and 410 of this title, and amending provisions set out below] may be cited as the ‘Highway Safety Act of 1991.’”